

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 24, 2015

Pursuant to rules of Council of the Town of Westfield, the members thereof convened in regular session Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Skibitsky made the following announcements:

“Prior to convening in regular session, there was an agenda session which was open to public and advertised.”

“The adequate notice of this meeting as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, was provided by the posting, mailing and filing of the annual notice of regularly scheduled meetings of the Town Council on December 16, 2014. The notice was, on that date, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, mailed to THE WESTFIELD LEADER, AND THE STAR LEDGER, and filed with the Clerk of the Town of Westfield.”

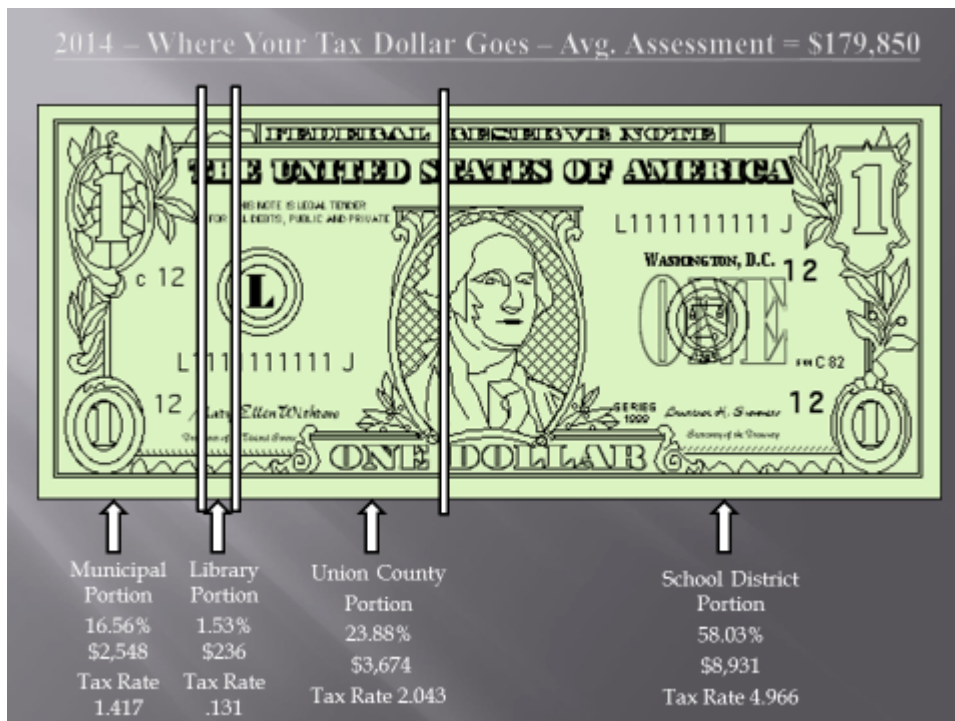
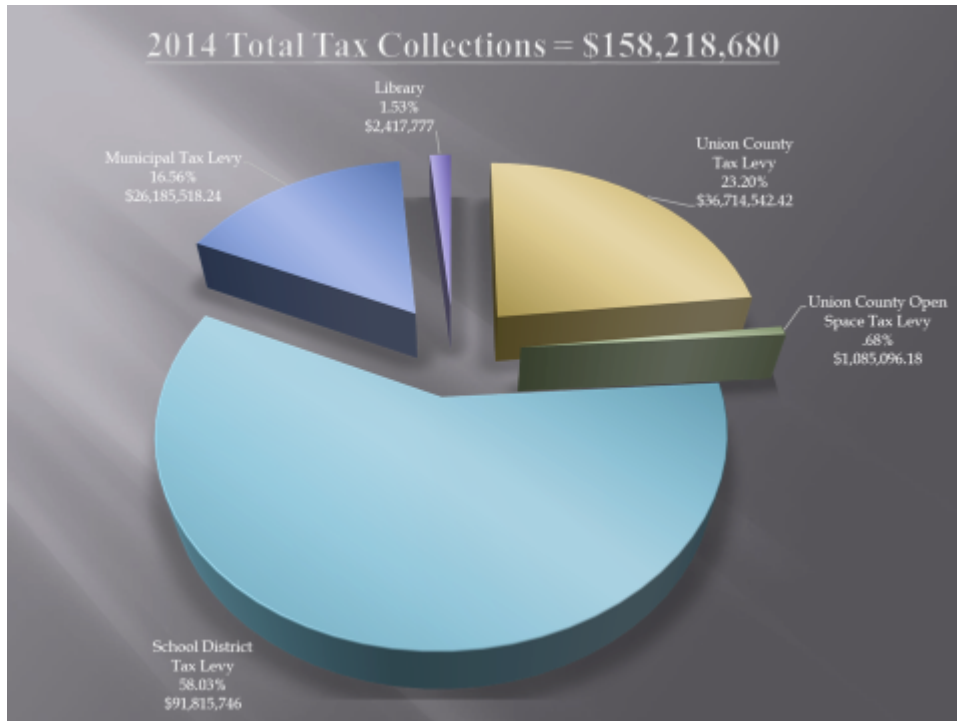
PRESENT: Mayor Skibitsky, Council Members, Arena, Neylan, LoGrippo, Foerst, Della Fera, Oliveira, Loughlin

ABSENT: Councilwoman Kimmins

Invocation was given by Councilwoman Neylan

PRESENTATIONS





2015 Municipal Budget

Tax levy increase - 1.78% or \$466,627
Expenditures increase - 2.42% or \$935,421

Estimated annual tax increase:
Average home assessed at \$179,850

2015 Increase in Taxes

Per year: \$50
Per month: \$4.17
Per Week: \$0.96
Per Day: \$0.14

Tax Levy = Anticipated Budget Expenditures - Anticipated Revenues
2015 = Under the 2% Tax Levy Cap

Tax Levy

- ❑ The Tax Levy is what the municipality needs to raise through taxation of property owners.
- ❑ Tax Levy Cap was enacted in 2007 at 4% and then amended in 2010 to 2%.
- ❑ There are exclusions that can be passed through to property owners including increases in debt service and capital expenditures, increases in pension contributions in excess of 2%, health benefit cost increases in excess of 2% and weather or other declared emergencies.
- ❑ The 2015 municipal budget does not pass through any of the allowable exclusions and comes in under the allowable 2% tax levy cap at 1.78%.

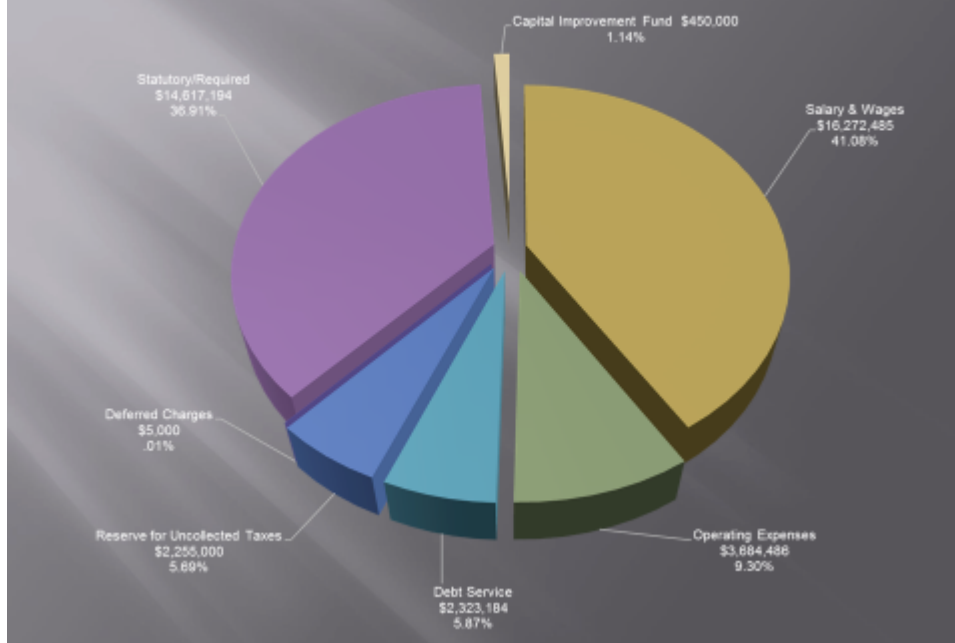


2015 Municipal Budget - Expenditure Comparison

	2013	2014	2015	2014 - 2015 Inc./Dec.
S&W	\$15,600,324	\$15,973,270	\$16,272,485	+ \$299,215
Operations	\$3,239,998	\$3,377,047	\$3,684,486	+ \$307,439
Debt Service	\$2,157,218	\$2,214,405	\$2,323,184	+ \$108,779
Reserve for UT	\$2,140,000	\$2,200,000	\$2,255,000	+ \$ 55,000
Deferred Charges	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	+ \$ 0
Statutory/Required	\$15,330,923	\$14,702,206	\$14,617,194	- \$ 85,012
Capital Imp. Fund	\$5,000	\$200,000	\$450,000	+ \$250,000
Total	\$38,478,463	\$38,671,928	\$39,607,349	+ \$935,421



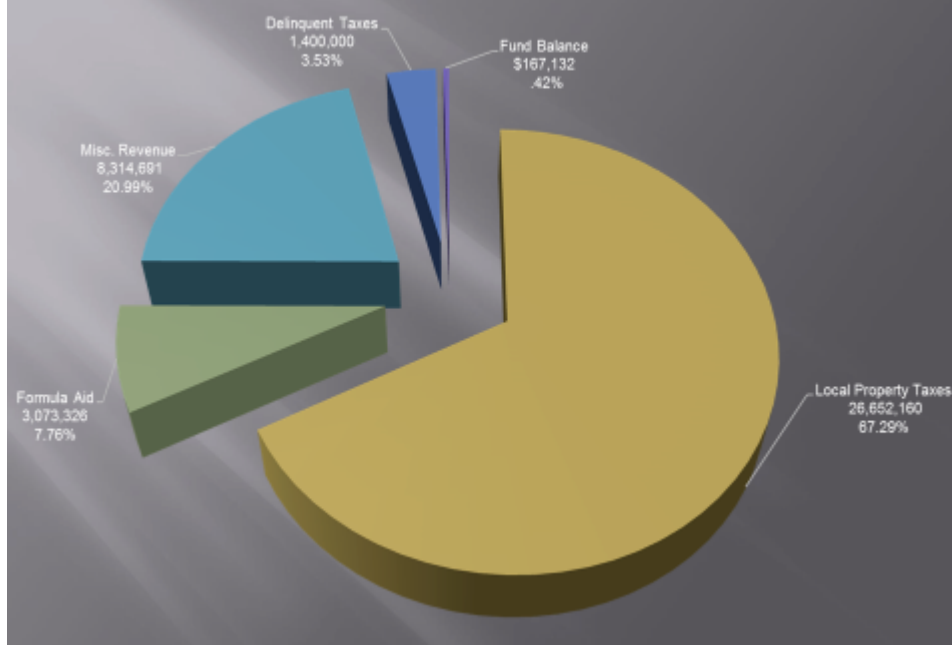
2015 Municipal Budget – Expenditures



The 2015 Municipal Budget – Expenditure Highlights

- ❑ Operating expenses have increased to accommodate new contracts, records retention programs and website enhancements. (\$3,684,486)
- ❑ Salaries & Wages increased in the aggregate less than 2% and are below 2007 levels. (\$16,272,485)
- ❑ Capital Improvement Fund has been increased significantly again to accommodate additional capital work including road paving, equipment purchases and other infrastructure repairs. (\$450,000)
- ❑ Reserve for Uncollected Taxes. Although the Town acts as the collection agency for all governmental entities we must budget monies in the event all the taxes are not collected. (\$2,255,000)
- ❑ Statutory/Required expenditures are down slightly. While pension costs increased other categories decreased including health insurance, utilities, sewer costs. (\$14,617,194)

2015 Municipal Budget – Revenues



2015 Anticipated Revenue Sources - Highlights

☐ Municipal Court Fines & Fees	\$ 700,000
☐ Parking Fees (Permits, Meters, Paystations)	\$1,795,000
☐ Building Department Fees	\$ 890,000
☐ Sewer Fee	\$1,650,000
☐ Miscellaneous Fees and Permits	\$ 495,000
☐ Cable Franchise Fees	\$ 459,043
☐ Interest & Costs on Taxes	\$ 280,000
☐ Health Services Agreements	\$ 460,962
☐ Formula Aid (State)	\$3,073,326
☐ Delinquent Taxes	\$1,400,000

2015 Municipal Tax Levy Calculations

Total Expenditures	\$39,607,349
minus	
Anticipated Revenues	\$12,955,189
equals	
Tax Levy	\$26,652,160 (1.78%)
divided by	
Total Ratable Value	\$1,846,017,014
equals	
Municipal Tax Rate	1.444

Avg. assessed home in 2015 = \$179,850

Approx. increase for municipal portion of tax bill = \$50/year



APPOINTMENT**ADVERTISED HEARINGS**

The Council proceeded to the hearing entitled, "GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2038 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD, CHAPTER 13."

Advertised returnable this evening.

Mayor Skibitsky declared the hearing closed.

The Council then proceeded to the hearing entitled, "GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2039 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD, CHAPTER 15."

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Mayor Skibitsky declared the hearing closed.

PENDING BUSINESS

An ordinance entitled, "GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2038 – AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD, CHAPTER 13" Introduced by Councilwoman Neylan, seconded by Councilman Arena, was taken up, read and passed by the following vote of all present upon roll call as follows:

Yeas:	Arena	Nays:	Absent:	Kimmins
	Neylan			
	LoGrippe			
	Foerst			
	Della Fera			
	Oliveira			
	Loughlin			
	Mayor Skibitsky			

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Yeas: Arena Nays: Absent: Kimmins
Neylan
LoGrippto
Foerst
Della Fera
Oliveira
Loughlin
Mayor Skibitsky

BIDS

MINUTES

On a motion by Councilman LoGrippto, seconded by Councilman Foerst, Council approved the Minutes of the Town Council Meeting held March 10, 2015 with Council Members Neylan and Oliveira abstaining.

On a motion by Councilman Loughlin, seconded by Councilman LoGrippto, Council approved the Minutes of the Conference Session held March 10, 2015 with Council Members Neylan and Oliveira abstaining.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

OPEN DISCUSSION BY CITIZENS

John Rotchford of 866 Knollwood Terrace thanked the Council and Administrator for their work and sensitivity to the needs of the citizens regarding the budget.

Adina Enclusco of 131 Central Avenue spoke about the sewer fee and asked why it is not included in the municipal taxes any longer. Mayor explained the Rahway Valley Sewer Authority large fee increase a few years ago and the decision to institute the sewer fee as the only alternative to mass layoffs of public safety employees. Ms. Enclusco asked why everyone pays the same. Mayor explained that there are different rates and the Finance Chair would give a thorough explanation when the public discussion was finished. Ms. Enclusco then spoke about the pedestrian activated HAWK light on Central Avenue and said that no one uses the light except one person and that the electromagnetic rays from the light unit affect her television operation.

Finance Chair gave an in-depth explanation of why the town decided not to use a consumption model for sewer fees. The main point was that getting the consumption data from the water company was very expensive and from what the town found, the rate would not change much from what the town is currently charging. He reminded the public that the current fee is less than half of what the total bill is from the RVSA and the

town is only passing on what is necessary and continues to subsidize more than half of the fee. Ms. Enclusco was not in attendance when the Chair provided his explanation.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Introduced by Councilman Della Fera, seconded by Councilman LoGrippo and adopted.

RESOLVED that the bills and claims in the amount of \$353,450.02 per the list submitted to the members of this Council by the Chief Financial Officer, and approved for payment by the Town Administrator be, and the same are hereby, approved and that payroll warrants previously issued by the Chief Financial Officer be ratified.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance Policy Committee

The following resolutions, introduced by Councilman Della Fera, Chairman of the Finance Policy Committee, seconded by Councilwoman Neylan were unanimously adopted.

(81) BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield that the Mayor is authorized to sign the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Westfield and the PBA Local #90 for the years 2015-2018.

(82) BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield that the Mayor is authorized to sign the collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Westfield and the PBA Local #90 (A) Superior Officers Association for the years 2015-2018.

(83) RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she hereby is authorized to draw warrants to the order of the following person, this being the amount overpaid for property taxes for the years 2014 and 2015.

BLOCK/LOT	PROPERTY	YEAR	AMOUNT
4601/41	921 Pennsylvania Avenue	2014	\$ 62.92
MARTIN, Silas & Christa			
4703/23	839 Tice Place	2014	\$ 19.71
GAFFNEY, Darren & Mary			
4909/9	1343 Central Avenue	2015	\$2,513.62
TICHENOR, Eric and Marie			

And BANK OF AMERICA HOME LOANS

Post closing – AR

6400 Legacy Drive

Plano, Texas 75024

MS: TX2-972-0106

(84) NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following accounts may have their sewer bills prorated and/or rescinded due to the demolition of the structure located on the property in 2014 and remove the billing for 2015 until dwelling is in place. Billing will be adjusted and/or reinstated once the property has a certificate of occupancy.

Acct#	Property Address	Year	Amount
152-0	Sunnywood Drive	2015	\$170.00
742-0	751 Lawrence Avenue	2015	\$170.00
930-0	757 Clark Street	2015	\$170.00
2251-0	120 Wychwood Road	2015	\$170.00
4428-0	418 Coddling Road	2015	\$170.00
6686-0	415 Everson Place	2014	\$ 65.66 - refund
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6740-0	686 Westfield Avenue	2015	\$170.00
6893-0	769 Hyslip Avenue	2015	\$170.00
8738-0	56 Tamaques Way	2015	\$170.00
8725-0	30 Tamaques Way	2015	\$170.00

(85) WHEREAS the Town of Westfield desires to reconstruct the Tennis Courts of Tamaques Park; and

WHEREAS, bids were received by the Town Clerk on Tuesday, December 9, 2014, and the apparent low bid from Halecon, Inc., has been analyzed and found to be fair and reasonable and in accordance with the appropriate specifications for this work; and

WHEREAS, the Certificate of the Town Treasurer, certifying to the availability of adequate funds for this Contract, prepared in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30 1.10, has been furnished to the Town Clerk. The expenditure of funds to be charged to: S.O. 2202 \$460,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following contractual award be made, and the proper Town Officials be, are they are hereby authorized to act as appropriate in the execution and discharge of this Contract.

HALECON, INC.
136 Billian Street
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

\$460,000

(86) WHEREAS, certain taxpayers of the Town of Westfield are expected to file tax appeals disputing their assessed valuation for the year 2015, and

WHEREAS, such tax appeals can be anticipated prior to April 1, 2015, the last day for filing, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor is of the opinion that said properties may, in many cases be undervalued and that the assessment for said properties should be increased and not decreased as the taxpayers seeks, and

WHEREAS, a method exists in the tax law for the municipality to counterclaim against the property owner to seek and increase in the assessment, and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the Town of Westfield to do so in certain cases as the Town Attorney and Tax Assessor may decide upon receiving the appeal:

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Town Council that the Town Attorney and Tax Assessor are authorized and directed to take whatever steps are necessary and appropriate to file counterclaims against the taxpayers in question seeking the raise the assessments for said properties to the value which the Tax Assessor deems to more property reflect the value of said property where appropriate.

(87) WHEREAS, the Local District School Tax for the year July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 was raised in the 2014 Tax Levy in the sum of \$91,815,746.00, and

WHEREAS, the statutes permit the deferral of such School Tax up to 50% of the School Tax Levy or \$45,907,873.00,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, County of Union that the Deferred School Tax for Local District School purpose be the sum of \$45,907,873.00 as of December 31, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that three certified copies of this resolution be filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

The following resolution, introduced by Councilman Della Fera, seconded by Councilman Arena was adopted by the following roll call vote:

(88) WHEREAS, the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget of the Town of Westfield's Special Improvement District, County of Union, for the Year 2015:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget for the Year 2015, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Budget be published in THE WESTFIELD LEADER in the issue of March 26, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Town of Westfield does hereby approve the following as the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget for the year 2015:

Recorded Vote: Ayes: Arena
 Neylan
 LoGrippe
 Foerst
 Della Fera
 Oliveira
 Loughlin
 Mayor Skibitsky

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Kimmins

Notice is hereby given that the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget was approved by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, County of Union, on March 24, 2015.

A hearing on said Budget will be held at the Westfield Municipal Building on April 28, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at which time and place objections to said Budget for the Year 2015 may be presented by Downtown Special Improvement District taxpayers or other interested person.

DOWNTOWN WESTFIELD CORPORATION

SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

2015 BUDGET

REVENUES

GENERAL REVENUE

ANTICIPATED REVENUE

Amount to be raised by

Special Improvement District Assessment \$409,757.00

Total General Revenue \$409,757.00

APPROPRIATIONS

GENERAL APPROPRIATION

APPROPRIATIONS

Operating

Salaries & Wages \$187,450.00

Other Expenses \$222,307.00

Total General Appropriations \$409,757.00

The following resolution, introduced by Councilman Della Fera, Seconded by Councilman LoGrippe was adopted by the following roll call vote with Councilman Loughlin abstaining on the Board of Adjustment.

(89) MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2015;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published in the WESTFIELD LEADER in the issue of March 26, 2015.

The Governing Body of the TOWN OF WESTFIELD does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2015:

RECORDED VOTE:

Council Members:

Yeas: Arena

Nays:

Neylan

LoGrippe

Abstain:

Foerst

Della Fera

Oliveira

Absent: Kimmins

Loughlin

Mayor Skibitsky

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the MAYOR AND COUNCIL of the TOWN OF WESTFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION, on March 24, 2015.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, on April 28, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2015 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

The following resolution, introduced by Councilman Della Fera, seconded by Councilman LoGrippe was adopted by the following roll call vote with Councilman Loughlin abstaining on the Board of Adjustment.

(90) WHEREAS, Section 40A: 4-19 of the Local Budget Act provides that (where any contract, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2015 budget) temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following amended temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for her records:

Administrative & Executive - Salaries & Wages	90,000.00
Administrative & Executive - Other Expenses	75,000.00
Community TV 36 - Service Other Expenses	4,000.00
Town Clerk - Salaries & Wages	60,000.00
Town Clerk - Other Expenses	10,000.00
Financial Administration - Salaries & Wages	80,000.00
Financial Administration - Other Expenses	4,000.00
Assessment of Taxes - Salaries & Wages	50,000.00
Assessment of Taxes - Other Expenses	4,000.00
Collection of Taxes - Salaries & Wages	45,000.00
Collection of Taxes - Other Expenses	3,000.00
Legal Services & Costs - Other Expenses	80,000.00
Municipal Court - Salaries & Wages	130,000.00
Municipal Court - Other Expenses	10,000.00
Municipal Prosecutor - Salaries & Wages	12,000.00
Public Defender - Salaries & Wages	6,000.00
Engineering Services & Costs - Salaries & Wages	250,000.00
Public Works - Salaries & Wages	1,100,000.00
Public Works - Other Expenses	600,000.00
Public Building & Grounds - Other Expenses	40,000.00

Planning Board - Other Expenses	6,000.00
Board of Adjustment - Salaries & Wages	4,000.00
Board of Adjustment - Other Expenses	4,800.00
Group Insurance Plan for Employees	2,150,000.00
Other Insurance Premiums	480,000.00
Fire - Salaries & Wages	1,300,000.00
Fire - Other Expenses	40,000.00
Fire Official - Salaries & Wages	65,000.00
Fire Official - Other Expenses	3,000.00
Hydrant Service	180,000.00
Alliance on Alcoholism & Drug Abuse	8,000.00
Parking Administration - Salaries & Wages	80,000.00
Police - Salaries & Wages	2,200,000.00
Police - Other Expenses	240,000.00
Crossing Guard - Salaries & Wages	200,000.00
Inspection of Buildings - Salaries & Wages	150,000.00
Inspection of Buildings - Other Expenses	7,000.00
Street Lighting	130,000.00
Electricity	80,000.00
Telephone	80,000.00
Water	5,000.00
Heating Gas	25,000.00
Gasoline	180,000.00
Board of Health - Salaries & Wages	260,000.00
Board of Health - Other Expenses	10,000.00
Board of Health - Contr. Service - Other Expenses	30,000.00
Recreation - Salaries & Wages	30,000.00
Maintenance of Free Public Library	800,000.00
Social Security System (OASI)	300,000.00
Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority	1,800,000.00
Dog Regulation	30,000.00
PFRS	1,956,917.10
Debt Service - Interest on Bond	184,721.25
Debt Service - Principal	125,000.00
PERS	874,068.00
Public Event	<u>1,000.00</u>
Sub-Total:	16,672,506.35
Swimming Pool Utility:	
Operating Salaries & Wages	75,000.00
Operating Other Expenses	60,000.00

Social Security (OASI)	6,000.00
Interest on Bond	<u>48,870.00</u>

TOTAL TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS: \$16,862,376.35

Council Members:

Yeas:	Arena	Nays:	Absent:	Kimmins
	Neylan			
	LoGrippto			
	Foerst			
	Della Fera			
	Oliveira			
	Loughlin			
	Mayor Skibitsky			

I hereby move that an ordinance entitled, "GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 2040 – AN ORDINANCE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015 TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

Heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 14th day of April 2015 at 8:00 o'clock, p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, in the Council Chambers, 425 East Broad Street, Westfield, New Jersey, and that at such time and place or any time and place to which such meeting shall from time to time be adjourned, all persons interested be given the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

Seconded by Councilman Arena.

The ordinance was approved by the following vote of all present upon roll call as follows:

Yeas:	Arena	Nays:	Absent:	Kimmins
	Neylan			
	LoGrippto			
	Foerst			
	Della Fera			
	Oliveira			
	Loughlin			
	Mayor Skibitsky			

Public Safety, Transportation and Parking Committee

The following resolution, introduced by Councilwoman Neylan, Chairman of the Public Safety, Transportation and Parking Committee, seconded by Councilman Loughlin was unanimously adopted.

(91) WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, desires to participate in what is known as the 1033 program which allows law enforcement agencies to obtain surplus federal property that is in excess to the Department of Defense, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that in this era of fiscal constraint, participation in the 1033 program allows local units to obtain equipment that they might not otherwise be able to afford, and to prepare for, respond to, and recover from incidents of terrorism and natural disasters, such as hurricanes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that although the equipment that may be obtained is usually at no cost to the local unit, the Town is responsible for the maintenance of the equipment and for any specialized training for its operation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes participation in the 1033 program as per the system of local oversight established by the State of New Jersey.

Code Review & Town Property Committee

The following resolutions, introduced by Councilman Foerst, Chairman of the Code Review & Town Property Committee, seconded by Councilman LoGrippe were unanimously adopted.

(92) BE IT RESOLVED that the following application for renewal of theater licenses be and the same is hereby approved:

Digiplex Rialto Cinemas
250 East Broad Street, 2nd Fl
Westfield, NJ 07090

Six Theaters

(93) BE IT RESOLVED that the following application for a theater license be and the same is hereby approved and any fees in connection with this application are hereby waived:

Westfield Community Players
Performances
1000 North Avenue, West
Westfield, New Jersey 07090

150 seats Twenty-four (24)

(94) WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 24 Article VII Section 24-47 of the Town Code the Town Council has authorized the licensing of Sidewalk Cafés, and

WHEREAS, the establishments listed have made application as required by Sec. 24-48 of the Town Code, and

WHEREAS, the establishments listed have met all the terms and conditions as required,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Westfield hereby grants licenses to the establishments listed to operate sidewalk cafés and the Town Clerk be, and is hereby authorized to issue said licenses.

16 Prospect Wine Bar	16-17 Prospect Street
Akai Lounge	102 East Broad Street
Amuse	39 Elm Street
Asian Fusion	114-116 Quimby Street
Boulevard Bistro	301 South Avenue West
Bovella's Pastry Shoppe	101 East Broad Street
Chipotle Mexican Grill	117 East Broad Street
Chocolate Bar	112 Quimby Street
Feast Catering	27 Elm Street
Ferraro's Restaurant	8-14 Elm Street
Panera Bread	143 East Broad Street
Qdoba Mexican Grill	70 Elm Street
Rooster Spin	251 North Avenue West
Sweet Waters Steakhouse	43 Elm Street
Tinga Taqueria	110 Central Avenue
Turning Point of Westfield LLC	137 Central Avenue
Xocolatz Café	235 Elmer Street

(95) WHEREAS, Elite Home Building, LLC., made an application to the Town of Westfield to demolish a single-family dwelling located at 925 Willow Grove Road, Block 4505, Lot 26, Westfield, New Jersey, and,

WHEREAS, Steve Freedman, Construction Official, certifies to the Town Council that the application meets all requirements of General Ordinance No. 1386, relative to obtaining a demolition permit.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Westfield that approval is hereby granted, pursuant to final approval by Steve Freedman, Construction Official, to demolish a single-family dwelling 925 Willow Grove Road, Block 4505, Lot 26, Westfield, New Jersey.

(96) WHEREAS, D. Villane Construction LLC., made an application to the Town of Westfield to demolish a single-family dwelling located at 321 Orenda Circle, Block 405, Lot 16, Westfield, New Jersey, and,

WHEREAS, Steve Freedman, Construction Official, certifies to the Town Council that the application meets all requirements of General Ordinance No. 1386, relative to obtaining a demolition permit.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Westfield that approval is hereby granted, pursuant to final approval by Steve Freedman, Construction Official, to demolish a single-family dwelling 321 Orenda Circle, Block 405, Lot 16, Westfield, New Jersey.

(97) WHEREAS, Waldemar Tanculski, made an application to the Town of Westfield to demolish a single-family dwelling (existing foundation to remain), located at 1718 Florida Street, Block 5607, Lot 2, Westfield, New Jersey, and,

WHEREAS, Steve Freedman, Construction Official, certifies to the Town Council that the application meets all requirements of General Ordinance No. 1386, relative to obtaining a demolition permit.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Westfield that approval is hereby granted, pursuant to final approval by Steve Freedman, Construction Official, to demolish a single-family dwelling (existing foundation to remain) at 1718 Florida Street, Block 5607, Lot 2, Westfield, New Jersey.

(98) WHEREAS, Thomas C. Jardim and Karen A. Fountain, made an application to the Town of Westfield to demolish a detached garage, located at 251 Walnut Street, Block 2401, Lot 12, Westfield, New Jersey, and,

WHEREAS, Steve Freedman, Construction Official, certifies to the Town Council that the application has met all requirements of General Ordinance No. 1386, relative to obtaining a demolition permit.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Westfield that approval is hereby granted, pursuant to final approval by Steve Freedman, Construction Official, to demolish a detached garage at 251 Walnut Street, Block 2401, Lot 12, Westfield, New Jersey.

Public Works Committee

Reports of Department Heads

Reports of Susan Noon, Collector of Taxes, showing taxes total collections of \$28,200,712.12 during the period February 1, 2015 to February 28, 2015.

Report of Carol Salvaggio, Certified Court Administrator, stating that she had turned over to the Chief Financial Officer check in the amount of \$61,084.77 representing fines and costs collected in the Municipal Court and Violations Bureau during the month of February 2015 was received, read and ordered filed.

Report of Steve Freedman, Construction Official, showing monies collected for permits in the amount of \$75,225.00 for the month of February 2015 was received, read and ordered filed.

Upon motion by Councilwoman Neylan, seconded by Councilman Foerst the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Claire J. Gray
Town Clerk